

**RESOLUTION NO. 5  
SERIES 2012**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GUNNISON,  
COLORADO, COMMENDING AND THANKING JAMES I MILES FOR HIS  
EXEMPLARY SERVICE AS GUNNISON FIRE DEPARTMENT CHIEF**

**WHEREAS,** Jim Miles, following in his father Bill's footsteps, answered the call to service and joined the Gunnison Volunteer Fire Department in January, 1982 ; and

**WHEREAS,** Jim served as Fireman, Lieutenant, and then in April, 2001, was elected by his Fire Department peers to serve as Fire Chief; and

**WHEREAS,** Jim trained, studied and practiced his departmental skills and duties in order to serve and protect the citizens of Gunnison and the surrounding area in the most proficient and safest means; and

**WHEREAS,** Jim sacrificed sleep, meals, and time with his family, friends and job during holidays, weekends and middle of the night fire calls; and

**WHEREAS,** during his thirty years as a Fireman, including the last twelve years as Fire Chief, Jim helped fight the significant fires at the IOOF Building, and the Cattleman Inn, as well as many residential structure fires, a multitude of range and wildland fires, and responded to countless vehicle accidents including the Highway 114 mass casualty charter bus accident involving 47 passengers; and

**WHEREAS,** as the longest serving Fire Chief in the 132 year history of the Gunnison Volunteer Fire Department, Jim assisted with getting the Fire District mill levy increased that helped improve and update the Fire Department's technology and equipment, thereby enhancing their effective response to emergency situations; and

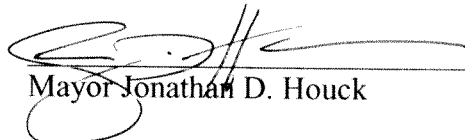
**WHEREAS,** Jim stepped down as the Gunnison Volunteer Fire Department Chief in April, 2012, after eleven years of exemplary service to the Gunnison Volunteer Fire Department and the citizens of the entire Gunnison Valley.

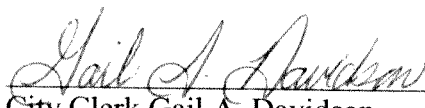
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GUNNISON, COLORADO, THAT:**

The City Council, Staff and all of the Citizens of the Gunnison Community hereby express their heartfelt thanks and gratitude to James Miles for his thirty years of service, including the past 11 years as Fire Chief, on the Gunnison Volunteer Fire Department; and

Further, Jim and his entire family are wished happiness and success in the future.

**INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED, AND ADOPTED** at the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Gunnison, Colorado, held this 24th day of April, 2012.

  
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Mayor Jonathan D. Houck

  
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City Clerk Gail A. Davidson